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8. Languages in which available	English, German, French	
9. Geographic area resource relates to	Germany, but with wider relevance	
10. Does the resource relate to a specific time frame?		
<b>11. Type</b>	Report	Yes
	Toolkit/Framework/Roadmap	Yes
	Sign-post to other resource (database)	
	Case studies	Yes
	Other	
12. If this is part of an initiative, what is the initiative?		
<b>COLLECTIONS AND COLLECTIONS-BASED INSTITUTIONS</b>		
13. Explicit links to collections	Yes	
14. Explicit links to museums/libraries/archives	Yes	
15. Types of institutions the resource covers	Museums	X
	Archives	X
	Libraries	X
	Other	X
	Arts, humanities and social sciences:	X

16. Does the resource relate to specific disciplines?	philosophy, psychology, religion, social sciences, law, politics, language, arts and recreation, architecture, literature, history, geography and ethnology, anthropology, archaeology	
	Science, natural history, technology, medicine, engineering, manufacturing	
17. If no explicit links to collections, justification for inclusion		
<b>HOW IT CONTRIBUTES TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT</b>		
<b>18. Collections-related activities the resource relates to (mark all that apply)</b>		
<b>Develop collections to protect and safeguard wider cultural and natural heritage more effectively, and that support sustainable development</b> for example by targeting collecting to threatened forms of heritage in strategic ways	X	
<b>Use collections to promote learning and educational opportunities that contribute to sustainable development more effectively</b> , for example education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable development and/or skills development relating to collections	X	
<b>Use collections to promote cultural participation/social inclusion more effectively</b> , for example by reducing barriers to participation, to ensure no-one is 'left behind'	X	
<b>Use collections to promote sustainable tourism more effectively</b> , for example by developing new products based on local cultural heritage, and/or considering the rights of stakeholder groups in relation to collections		
<b>Use collections to support research that contributes to sustainable development</b> (including all forms of personal and self-directed research at all levels that make use of stored collections) more effectively, for example by providing effective facilities, collections and information to meet researchers' needs	X	
<b>Make decisions around collections that contribute to sustainable development more effectively</b>		
i. employment (recruiting, staff training, staff safety)	X	
ii. energy consumption, greenhouse gas emissions, reduction, monitoring and reporting		
iii. waste management and reduction of waste		

iv. transport (forms of transport, energy use)	
v. commercial activities including copyright and IP	
vi. governance and management	X
vii. security, disaster preparedness and risk reduction	
<b>Direct external leadership, partnerships and collaborations towards sustainable development more effectively</b> , for example by developing impactful partnerships	X
<b>19. Does the resource relate clearly to any international conventions (mark all that apply)?</b>	
Culture conventions:	
1952, 71 Protection of Copyright and Neighbouring Rights	X
1954 Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict	X
1970 Fighting Against the Illicit Trafficking of Cultural Property	X
1972 Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage	
2001 Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage	
2003 Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage	X
2005 Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions	X
Rio Conventions:	
Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD), Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)	
<b>AIMS AND CONTENT</b>	
<b>20. What issues does the resource aim to address?</b>	<p><b>“These Guidelines are a practical aid for all German museums on the care of collections from colonial contexts. They additionally provide an information base for international professional colleagues, political decision makers, as well as representatives of post-colonial initiatives and diaspora communities. The Guidelines do not represent a position paper or legally binding instructions, however.</b></p> <p><b>The Guidelines enhance sensitivity...</b></p> <p><b>The Guidelines offer practical support...</b></p> <p><b>The Guidelines inform...” (p.4-5)</b></p>
21. Intended audience of resource	Museums and museum workers
22. Process of development	[Written by many contributors, see p.215-7]
23. Organisation/structure /contents	[Note, the Guidelines are accompanied by an e-reader, available from the same weblink, with more detailed information and guidance]

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<b>FRAMEWORKS</b>	
24. Framework structure	
25. Relevant policy considerations	Yes
26. Resources for implementation identified	Yes
27. Specific assessment points/indicators/milestones/action plan for monitoring	Yes
<b>28. ASPECTS OF SUSTAINABILITY COVERED BY RESOURCE (mark all that apply)</b>	
People (social sustainability)	X
Planet (environmental sustainability)	
Prosperity (economic sustainability)	
Peace	X
Partnerships	X
<b>29. CROSS-CUTTING CONSIDERATIONS COVERED BY RESOURCE (mark all that apply)</b>	
Gender perspectives	X
North and South perspectives	
<b>HOW THE RESOURCE CONTRIBUTES TO AGENDA 2030 AND THE SDGs</b>	
<b>HOW AGENDA 2030 AND THE SDGs FEATURE IN THE RESOURCE</b>	
30. SDGs and Agenda 2030 specifically mentioned?	No
31. SDGs specifically mentioned?	No
32. SDG targets specifically mentioned?	No
33. SDG indicators specifically mentioned?	No
<b>SDGs AND SDG TARGETS AND LINKAGES</b>	

<p>34. Comments on SDG linkages</p>	<p>The resource is most closely related to SDG targets around representation, participation and inclusion, including SDG 1.4 (ensure equal access to basic services), 4.5 (inclusive education), 4.7 (Education for Sustainable Development, including respect for cultural diversity), 4.A (inclusive learning environments), SDG 9.1 (inclusive infrastructure), SDG 10.2 (empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all), 10.3 (remove discriminatory policies and practices), 10.4 (foster equality of opportunity), 11.4 (strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard cultural and natural heritage) and 16.4 (return of illicitly held material), SDG 11.7 (provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces), and 11.B (integrated policies for inclusion and Disaster Risk Reduction). It also supports SDGs 16.6 (effective, accountable and transparent institutions), 16.7 (inclusive and representative decision-making), SDG 16.10 (access to information and protect fundamental rights), and SDG 16.B (promote laws and policies for non-discrimination and sustainable development). The focus on policy making supports 17.14 (policy coherence for sustainable development), 17.16 (international multistakeholder partnerships) and SDG 17.17 (on cross-sector partnerships).</p>
<p><b>35. SDGs and SDG targets the resource helps advance</b></p>	
<p><b>SDG 1: End poverty in all its forms everywhere</b>  1.4 By 2030, ensure that all men and women, in particular the poor and the vulnerable, have equal rights to economic resources, as well as access to basic services, ownership and control over land and other forms of property, inheritance, natural resources, appropriate new technology and financial services, including microfinance</p>	<p>Numbers and proportions of people from particular groups using collections in comparison with demographics in broader society.</p> <p>Numbers of people accessing collections.</p> <p>Number of targeted programmes that aim to enhance access to collections by disadvantaged groups.</p> <p>Sustainable tourism that enhances local communities' access to basic services, ownership and control over land and other forms of property (including cultural and natural heritage), as well as to technology and markets.</p> <p>Involvement of people from disadvantaged groups in decision-making activities and processes relating to collections and collections-based institutions.</p>
<p><b>SDG 4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education</b></p>	

<p><b>and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all</b> 4.5 By 2030, eliminate gender disparities in education and ensure equal access to all levels of education and vocational training for the vulnerable, including persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and children in vulnerable situations</p>	<p>Number of educational and/or training programmes drawing on collections directed to meet the particular needs of persons with disabilities.</p> <p>Number of educational and/or training programmes drawing on collections directed to meet the particular needs of Indigenous peoples' groups.</p> <p>Number of educational and/or training programmes drawing on collections directed to meet the particular needs of children in vulnerable situations.</p>
<p><b>SDG 4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all</b> 4.7 By 2030, ensure that all learners acquire the knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including, among others, through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable development</p>	<p>Numbers of people in each type of programme drawing on collections from different demographic groups.</p> <p>Increases in numbers of people in each type of programme from different demographic groups.</p> <p>Proportion of people involved in such programmes in relation to overall audience size.</p> <p>Evidence that learners have acquired knowledge and skills to promote sustainable development.</p>
<p><b>SDG 4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all</b> 4.A Build and upgrade education facilities that are child, disability and gender sensitive and provide safe, non-violent, inclusive and effective learning environments for all</p>	<p>Number and proportion of education facilities that are child, disability and gender sensitive.</p> <p>Proportion of education facilities that provide safe, non-violent, inclusive and effective learning environments for all.</p> <p>Number and type of initiatives to improve effectiveness of learning environments.</p> <p>Support given to other education facilities to make them more inclusive and effective.</p>

<p><b>SDG 9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation</b></p> <p>9.1 Develop quality, reliable, sustainable and resilient infrastructure, including regional and transborder infrastructure, to support economic development and human well-being, with a focus on affordable and equitable access for all</p>	<p>Development of research-useful collections to support reliable, sustainable and resilient use by researchers and others.</p> <p>Number and proportion of collections facilities and stores that support economic development and human well-being.</p> <p>Number and proportion of collections facilities and stores that provide affordable and equitable access for all.</p> <p>Investment in collections facilities.</p> <p>Inclusion of collections information in regional and transborder initiatives, notably via digital access for discoverability.</p>
<p><b>SDG 10. Reduce inequality within and between countries</b></p> <p>10.2 By 2030, empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status</p>	<p>Collections development to ensure that collections effectively meet the needs of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status.</p> <p>Numbers and proportions of people making use of collections in relation to the demographic of the local population.</p> <p>Numbers and proportions of people involved in focused programmes aimed at promoting social, economic and political inclusion.</p> <p>Numbers and proportions of people from different demographic groups involved in decision-making processes relating to collections and collections-based institutions.</p> <p>Number and types of partnerships that build relationships with marginalized groups, individuals and communities.</p>
<p><b>SDG 10. Reduce inequality within and between countries</b></p> <p>10.3 Ensure equal opportunity and reduce inequalities of outcome, including by eliminating discriminatory</p>	<p>Identification of discriminatory policies and practices, with clear plans to address these, to ensure equal opportunity for all and reduce inequalities of outcome.</p>



<p>laws, policies and practices and promoting appropriate legislation, policies and action in this regard</p>	<p>Collections development to uphold and promote legislation and anti-discriminatory perspectives, with the aim of reducing inequality within and between countries.</p> <p>Education and participatory programmes that promote anti-discriminatory legislation, policies and action, with the aim of reducing inequality within and between countries.</p> <p>Research that supports anti-discriminatory legislation, policies and action, with the aim of reducing inequality within and between countries.</p> <p>Participation in partnerships that promote anti-discriminatory legislation, policies and action, with the aim of reducing inequality within and between countries.</p>
<p><b>SDG 10. Reduce inequality within and between countries</b> 10.4 Adopt policies, especially fiscal, wage and social protection policies, and progressively achieve greater equality</p>	<p>Number and proportion of policies that proactively address equality issues relating to fiscal, wage and social protection considerations.</p>
<p><b>SDG 11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable</b> 11.4 Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the world's cultural and natural heritage</p>	<p><b><i>11.4.1 Total expenditure (public and private) per capita spent on the preservation, protection and conservation of all cultural and natural heritage, by type of heritage</i></b></p> <p>Plans, policies and procedures in place for the safe use of collections for a variety of purposes, protecting and safeguarding both collections and those who use them.</p> <p>Plans, policies and procedures in place for the identification, safeguarding and protection of cultural and natural heritage at risk.</p> <p>Collecting programmes in place to protect, safeguard and make use of cultural and natural heritage, addressing the needs of communities and stakeholders, and ensuring that collections can be an effective resource for sustainable development.</p> <p>Number and diversity of educational, awareness-raising, research programmes, and partnerships that aim to strengthen protection of cultural and natural heritage.</p>

<p><b>SDG 11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable</b>  11.7 By 2030, provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces, in particular for women and children, older persons and persons with disabilities</p>	<p>Numbers of people accessing collecting institutions from different demographic groups, notably women, children, older people and persons with disabilities.</p> <p>Increases in numbers of people accessing collecting institutions from different demographic groups.</p> <p>Measures taken to remove barriers to access green and public spaces.</p> <p>Extent of green space provided by collections institutions.</p>
<p><b>SDG 11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable</b>  11.B By 2020, substantially increase the number of cities and human settlements adopting and implementing integrated policies and plans towards inclusion, resource efficiency, mitigation and adaptation to climate change, resilience to disasters, and develop and implement, in line with the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, holistic disaster risk management at all levels</p>	<p><b><i>11.B.1 Proportion of local governments that adopt and implement local disaster risk reduction strategies in line with the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030a</i></b></p> <p>Disaster Risk Reduction strategies and plans in place, in line with the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, to ensure collecting institutions and collections are factored into planning, and contribute effectively to Disaster Risk Reduction.</p>
<p><b>SDG 16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.</b>  16.4 By 2030, significantly reduce illicit financial and arms flows, strengthen the recovery and return of stolen assets and combat all forms of organized crime</p>	<p>Identification of stolen assets, return of stolen assets.</p> <p>Collections development, education, awareness-raising and partnership activities relating to organized crime, with a view to combatting organized crime everywhere.</p>
<p><b>SDG 16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for</b></p>	

<p>sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.</p> <p>16.6 Develop effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels</p>	<p><b>16.6.2 Proportion of the population [audience/users/non-users] satisfied with their last experience of public services</b></p> <p>Access to information, and accountability policies and mechanisms, in place.</p> <p>Effective institutional arrangements, both for own working and for working in partnership with other sectors, in place.</p> <p>Plans and arrangements in place for extraordinary circumstances such as natural and human-caused disasters.</p> <p>Effective arrangements in place to fulfil legal and social obligations and responsibilities.</p> <p>Effective arrangements in place for transparent communication and reporting of institutional performance.</p> <p>Effective arrangements in place for transparent decision-making and accountability.</p>
<p><b>SDG 16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.</b></p> <p>16.7 Ensure responsive, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at all levels</p>	<p><b>16.7.1 Proportions of positions (by sex, age, persons with disabilities and population groups) in public institutions (national and local legislatures, public service, and judiciary) compared to national distributions</b></p> <p><b>16.7.2 Proportion of population [audience/users/non-users] who believe decision-making is inclusive and responsive, by sex, age, disability and population group</b></p> <p>Decision-making addresses societal, environmental and economic challenges related to the community, considering short-term and long-term risks and opportunities.</p> <p>Decision-making draws on diverse backgrounds, viewpoints and interests, reflecting a broad base of stakeholders, and working to promote inclusion and provide effective services for all of society.</p>
<p><b>SDG 16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective,</b></p>	<p>Adopt and implement constitutional, statutory and/or policy guarantees for public access to information.</p>

<p><b>accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.</b> 16.10 Ensure public access to information and protect fundamental freedoms, in accordance with national legislation and international agreements</p>	<p>Plans in place, and plans implemented to enhance public access to information relating to collections.</p> <p>Plans in place, and plans implemented to support fundamental freedoms, in line with human rights, national and international agreements and legislation.</p> <p>Plans and procedures in place for public access to information relating to the operation and management of collections-based institutions.</p> <p>Complaint mechanism in place for public to use where public access to information and fundamental freedoms not supported or fulfilled.</p>
<p><b>SDG 16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.</b> 16.B Promote and enforce non-discriminatory laws and policies for sustainable development</p>	<p><b><i>16.B.1 Proportion of population [audience/users/non-users] reporting having personally felt discriminated against or harassed in the previous 12 months on the basis of a ground of discrimination prohibited under international human rights law</i></b></p> <p>Number and proportion of policies that incorporate sustainable development considerations, in the full sense of recognizing all three of social, economic and environmental considerations.</p>
<p><b>SDG 17. Partnerships for the goals</b> 17.14 Enhance policy coherence for sustainable development</p>	<p>Proportion of policies that incorporate sustainable development considerations, linking to SDGs and targets.</p> <p>Incorporation of policy considerations from outside the collections sector into policies of collections-based institutions, to facilitate partnerships and effectiveness.</p>
<p><b>SDG 17. Partnerships for the goals</b> 17.16 Enhance the global partnership for sustainable development, complemented by multi-stakeholder partnerships that mobilize and share knowledge, expertise, technology and financial resources, to support the achievement of the sustainable development goals</p>	<p>Number and/or increase in number, and diversity of global and international multi-stakeholder partnerships that share collection-related knowledge, expertise, technology and financial resources to address the SDGs, or that otherwise involve collections-based organisations and institutions.</p> <p>Number and/or increase in number, and diversity of global and international multi-stakeholder partnerships involving developing countries that share collection-related knowledge, expertise, technology and financial resources to address the SDGs.</p>

in all countries, in particular developing countries					
<b>SDG 17. Partnerships for the goals</b> 17.17 Encourage and promote effective public, public-private and civil society partnerships, building on the experience and resourcing strategies of partnerships		<b>17.17.1 Amount of United States dollars committed to public-private and civil society partnerships</b>  Number and/or increase in number, and diversity of local, national and regional multi-stakeholder (public, public-private and civil society) partnerships that address the SDGs drawing on collections, or that otherwise involve collections-based organisations and institutions.			
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